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FOR USOAS WHITE FROM AMBASSADOR LANDAU

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, OAS, PA

SUBJ: PARAGUAN CANDIDATE FOR INTER-AMERICAN JURIDICAL COMMITTEE

REF: STATE 114154

1. AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE BEEN ENDEAVORING FOR SOME TIME NOW TO GET STROESSNER TO AGREE TO A VISIT BY AN IAHRM TEAM. I AM OPTIMISTIC THIS WILL BE POSSIBLE, BUT IT MAY TAKE A FEW MORE DAYS TO NAIL IT DOWN.

2. SHORTLY AFTER RECEIVING REFTEL I HAD A CHANCE TO RAISE THE QUESTION WITH FONMIN NOGUES. IN ADDITION TO REPEATING ALL THE OTHER REASONS FOR AN IAHRM VISIT, I GAVE HIM THE GIST OF YOUR MESSAGE, POINTING OUT THAT IT WOULD BE HIGHLY EMBARRASSING TO USG TO GIVE ITS SUPPORT, AS WE WOULD LIKE TO, TO SALDIVAR FOR IAJC, ONLY TO FACE A PUBLIC UPROAR IF GOP BARRED A VISIT BY IAHRM. HE GOT THE PICTURE, AND TODAY HE AND SEVERAL OTHERS IN FAVOR OF THE VISIT ARE GIVING IT ANOTHER TRY WITH THE PRESIDENT.

3. I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU COULD CALL IN PARAGUAY'S  
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NEW AMBASSADOR, LOPEZ ESCOBAR, WHO ALSO AGREES WITH US ON THE DESIRABILITY OF AN IAHRM VISIT, SO THAT HE CAN THEN BUTTRESS OUR EFFORTS HERE THROUGH HIS REPORTING. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE, SO THE SOONER YOU SEE HIM THE BETTER.

4. BOB ZIMMERMAN OR DICK GRAHAM IN ECA CAN GIVE YOU THE FULL BACKGROUND ON WHAT WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO DO ON THE IAHRM V

VISIIT, INCLUDING THE EXCHANGE BETWEEN LOPEZ ESCOBAR AND  
THE PRESIDENT DURING LOPEZ' CREDENTIALS CEREMONY ON  
MAY 16.  
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